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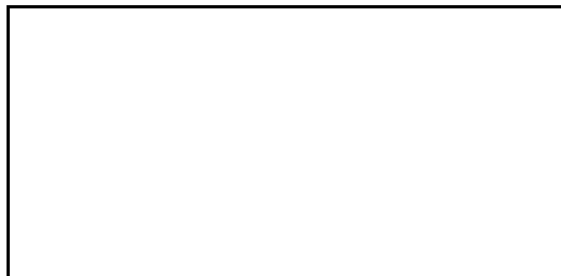
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MEMORANDUM FOR THE RECORD

SUBJECT: Special Meeting of 11 April 1960

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1. This records the results of a special meeting 11 April 1960 requested by [] to discuss current and prospective problems associated with the Agency's Teletape Communicating System. The meeting was attended by the following members of the Agency Planning Group:



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2. [] opened the meeting by describing an immediate problem facing the Signal Center in trying to support the Teletape system. He said that for some time the Agency has been experiencing a steady increase in cable traffic--with almost every successive month bringing a new record high. At the same time, Teletape traffic has also been climbing. As a result, on some occasions when the Signal Center is tied up with cables, Teletapes cannot be processed as rapidly as Area Divisions would like. Reference was made to the understanding (which those present reaffirmed) that, in its internal processes, the Signal Center must always give priority to cables over Teletapes.

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3. To deal with this problem--at least for the present-- []

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[] suggested that Area Divisions and field stations concerned (principally those whose tapes must be encrypted off-line--WE and [] and, to a lesser extent, FE and [] be told how

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Teletapes are processed and particularly that they may be delayed somewhat during peak periods of cable traffic. It was recognized that the long-term solution to the problem will doubtless require increases in Communications personnel to handle Teletapes. However, [] said he is reluctant to seek this solution on a "nickel and dime" basis as each separate problem arises. Instead, he wants to examine DD/P's over-all planning for the Teletape system and match it with an over-all plan of his own, including whatever adjustments in staff are required.

4. [] displayed a full understanding of the Signal Center's problem. He agreed that it would be helpful to explain to appropriate DD/P components the "ground rules" by which Teletapes are processed. In addition, he proposed asking [] too if necessary--to hold down Teletape traffic by more careful selection of items until such time as the system can accommodate a greater load.

5. [] then discussed with the group some of the planning his office is doing with respect to the Teletape system. He has a proposal now to extend it to [] field installations during FY 1962. The proposal hinges on commercial development by that time of a new magnetic tape producing typewriter (with necessary auxiliary equipment) and also on the availability of funds for enough typewriters to equip the []-station network. [] said his proposal is being coordinated with the Office of Communications, the Office of Security, and other interested components; and although it has not been approved yet by DD/P, such approval seems quite likely. He is hoping the coordination process can be completed in time to include the project in the regular '62 budget submission.

6. [] agreed to provide [] with whatever information from DD/P the Office of Communications would need to develop its own plan, including personnel requirements, to support the proposed Teletape network.

7. [] suggested [] alert the Offices of Logistics and Training so they too can keep abreast of developments in the expansion of the Teletape System.

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8. [] invited members of the group to attend a special Teletape demonstration in the Signal Center to be held at a time agreed upon later. [], and other equipment will be demonstrated and a complete explanation of Teletape processing will be given.

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